

## Message Text

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SUBJECT: ESTABLISHMENT OF SPANISH- PRC RELATIONS

1. INFORMATION MINISTER ANNOUNCED EVENING MARCH 9, FOLLOWING COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEETING, THAT MADRID AND PEKING HAD SIGNED AGREEMENT IN PARIS TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. ANNOUNCEMENT OF AGREEMENT AT THIS TIME COMPLETELY UNEXPECTED HERE, THOUGH EFE DISPATCH FROM UN REPORTS THAT FOR UN DIPLOMATS, ESTABLISHMENT OF PRC- SPANISH RELATIONS WAS NOT ABSOLUTE SURPRISE. YA ( CATHOLIC) EDITORIAL MAR 10 CHASTISES GOVERNMENT FOR COMMITTING GRAVE PSYCHOLOGICAL ERROR OF ANNOUNCING DEVELOPMENT WITH SUCH SUDDENNESS. GENERAL TENOR OF PRESS REACTION IS THAT ESTABLISHMENT OF PEKING- MADRID RELATIONS IS IN CONFORMITY WITH POLICY OF NORMALIZING SPANISH RELATIONS AND WITH STATEMENT IN FRANCO' S LAST YEAR- END MESSAGE TO SPANISH PEOPLE THAT SPAIN HAS TO LIVE WITH REALITIES NOT WITH CHIMERAS AND BELIEVES IN DIALOGUE AS INSTRUMENT OF UNDERSTANDING EVEN BETWEEN DIFFERENT SOCIETIES.

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2. TEXT OF AGREEMENT TO BE RELEASED MAR 10.  
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